## HOUSE BILL 7010 By Kernell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, Part 3 and Title 3, Chapter 6, Part 1, relative to contributions.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-310, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection as follows:
  - (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section to the contrary, any individual person, except as provided in subdivision (d)(2), may contribute to a candidate or a candidate's political campaign committee otherwise prohibited from accepting contributions by this section by establishing an automatic recurring contribution drawing on a credit or debit account held in the name of such individual person provided that the contribution is established, and the automatic recurring withdrawals begin, during the period between the earlier of the last day of regular session or June 1 and the convening of the general assembly in organizational session in odd years or the earlier of the last day of regular session or May 15 and the convening of the general assembly in even years. The amount withdrawn from such credit or debit card account shall not be increased during the period between the convening of the general assembly in organizational session and the earlier of June 1 or the last day of regular session in odd years or between the convening of the general assembly in organizational session and the earlier of May 15 or the last day of regular session in even years.
    - (1) An individual person making a contribution or a candidate or a candidate's political campaign committee receiving a contribution pursuant to this

subsection is not exempt by means of this subsection from any other applicable provisions of law.

- (2) No lobbyist, person acting on behalf of a lobbyist, or employer of a lobbyist shall make contributions pursuant to this subsection.
- (3) Contributions received pursuant to this subsection shall be reported as determined by the registry of election finance on a form prescribed and provided by the registry of election finance for such purposes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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